

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

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1-17. (canceled)

18. (withdrawn) A semiconductor light emitting device comprising:  
an n-type clad layer consisting of a gallium nitride based compound semiconductor;  
an active layer consisting of a gallium nitride based compound semiconductor, said active layer being made from a material having a band gap energy smaller than that of said n-type clad layer;  
a p-type clad layer consisting of a gallium nitride based compound semiconductor, said p-type clad layer being made from a material having a band gap energy greater than that of said active layer, and sandwiching said active layer accompanying with said n-type clad layer.

19. (withdrawn) A semiconductor light emitting device comprising:  
a substrate; and  
GaN-type compound semiconductor layers stacked on the substrate, the GaN-type layers including:  
at least one active layer,  
at least one n-type layer, and  
at least one p-type layer;  
wherein a band gap energy of the one n-type layer is smaller than a band gap energy of the one p-type layer.

20. (canceled)

21. (canceled)

22. (currently amended) A method for producing a light-emitting semiconductor device of a

group III nitride compound, comprising:

forming an N-layer of an N-type conduction, said N-layer comprising gallium nitride;

forming an emission layer of a group III nitride compound semiconductor satisfying the formula,  $Al_{x1}Ga_{y1}In_{1-x1-y1}N$ , where  $0 \leq x1 \leq 1$ ,  $0 \leq y1 \leq 1$ , and  $0 \leq x1 + y1 \leq 1$ , on said N-layer;

forming a P-layer of a P-type conduction, on said emission layer, said P-layer comprising aluminum gallium nitride satisfying the formula,  $Al_{x2}Ga_{1-x2}N$ , where  $0 < x2 < 1$ ; and

forming a contact layer of a P-type conduction, on said P-layer, said contact layer comprising gallium nitride[[,]]

~~wherein a bandwidth of said N-layer is narrower than a bandwidth of said P-layer; and a potential barrier of a valence band of said N-layer is lower than a potential barrier of a conduction band of said P-layer.~~

23. (previously presented) The method for producing a light-emitting semiconductor device according to claim 22, wherein said emission layer is doped with acceptor and donor impurities.

24. (currently amended) The method for producing a light-emitting semiconductor device according to claim 22, wherein said contact layer of said P-type conductivity conduction is formed between said P-layer and an electrode.

25. (previously presented) The method for producing a light-emitting semiconductor device according to claim 22, further comprising:

forming an electrode contacting said contact layer.

26. (new) A method of producing a light-emitting semiconductor device of a group III nitride compound, comprising:

forming an N-layer of an N-type conduction, said N-layer comprising gallium nitride;

forming an emission layer of a group III nitride compound semiconductor satisfying the formula,  $Al_{x1}Ga_{y1}In_{1-x1-y1}N$ , where  $0 \leq x1 \leq 1$ ,  $0 \leq y1 \leq 1$  and  $0 \leq x1 + y1 \leq 1$ , on said N-layer;

forming a P-layer of a P-type conduction, on said emission layer, said P-layer comprising aluminum gallium nitride satisfying the formula,  $\text{Al}_{x2}\text{Ga}_{1-x2}\text{N}$ , where  $0 < x2 < 1$ ;

forming a contact layer of a P-type conduction, on said P-layer, said contact layer comprising gallium nitride; and

doping Si into said N-layer and Mg into said P-layer, so that a potential barrier of a valence band of said N-layer is lower than a potential barrier of a conduction band of said P-layer during conduction.

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